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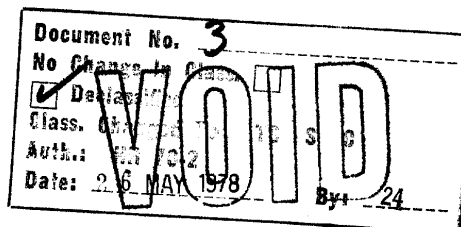
1. The TALLINN (24°45'E/59°26'N) seaplane base, Estonian SSR, was east of the Morskoi zavod repair shipyard. A prison was located east of the seaplane base.
2. The terrain was about 165 x 330 feet. A stone hangar with five cupolas measured about 130 x 165 feet. The base had a concrete landing strip.
3. Four flying boats, twin-engine high-wing monoplanes with single radiator assembly and retractable floats at the wing tips, were stationed here.
4. Flying with individual planes, allegedly courier flights to LENINGRAD, was observed. A seaplane landed daily at 5 p.m.

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Comment:

The reported location of the seaplane base agrees with previous reports. The occupation by four flying boats apparently has not changed since late 1948. The described aircraft is definitely identified as the Soviet GST type. The plane may be a Soviet version of the Catalina type or an original lend-lease type.

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